# Then And Now

By Frances H. Paulette

## The Young Hearts Club

### We Remember When...

Darling, I'm not growing old -
Just 'older..er' you might say,
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The years may come, the years may go
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Just better, don't you see!!

Christmas is almost here; people seem to be getting busier every year as they hurry about getting ready for the holiday season. There is last minute shopping to be done and final preparations made.

While the pace of living back THEN was, without a doubt, much slower than it is today, the anticipation and enjoyment of Christmas was no less great.

One member of the Young Hearts Club spoke of her father's country store back in the early 1900's; she vividly remembers 'getting ready' for Christmas.

There was no UPS service, no transfer trucks making last-minute deliveries, no Overnite truck unloading packages back in the days of THEN. Things were different!

The storekeeper THEN (or at least this particular one) hitched his horse to his one-horse wagon and took off for Lynchburg to get the 'goodies' he would offer for sale in his store. The daughter of this man remembers accompanying her father on just such a trip around the year 1908.

Imagine the excitement of a trip to Lynchburg plus the fun of seeing her father choose the things for his store. It was almost too good to be true.

One of the items she distinctly remembers her father buying for re-sale was peanuts. As a kind of bonus for buying peanuts in such a large quantity, the storekeeper got a doll . . . a beautiful doll. Since this little girl was the only daughter in her family she knew that the doll would be hers on Christmas morning. It was indeed a present worth waiting for.

Even though this little girl is now a lovely lady with beautiful white hair, she remembers those dolls as though it happened yesterday. Isn't it nice to remember?

If a young man living in the town or county of Appomattox then wanted to make an impression on a young lady but lacked the necessary transportation, all he had to do was pay a visit to the Livery Stable located on the corner of Main and Court Streets in Appomattox.

At the Livery Stable, owned and operated by the late Winston McKinney, one could rent a horse (a beautiful one too!) and a buggy for the sum of $1.50; it was for the entire day. If all the gentleman needed was a buggy, he then it only cost 75c for the day.

Children didn't get as much in the way of gifts back THEN as they do NOW, but they made the most of everything they got . . . chewing gum for instance.

One Young Hearts Club member remembers the chewing gum of her childhood. I believe she said it cost 1c a stick, but they got a lot of mileage out of that gum!

The family meals were eaten at a large table in the dining room. As each child took his or her place at the table they quietly removed the gum from their mouths and stuck it underneath the table in front of where they were sitting. This way they were assured of another chew'!

As children often do, when the meal was over they were in a hurry to get on with play or maybe chores that had to be done. At any rate, they didn't always reach underneath the talbe and reclaim their gum. When, however, they did decide to have another chew they might find that the gum, where they had been sitting, was gone! Too bad? Wait a minute . . .

Reaching under the table and finding her gum gone was no big thing; she just kept feeling around under the table until she found another blob of gum. So what, if it wasn't her gum . . . it was gum! Quite often it had been stuck underneath the table a bit longer than hers and would take a bit of vigorous chewing to get it into shape. But, according to this Young Hearts Club member . . . the flavor always came back!

Occasionally the gum had been the victim of flies; you know how it is, they stop for a minute and leave tracks! She remembered this was never reason for discarding a piece of gum . . . it had to last! As I said, back THEN they made the best of everything.

One Young Hearts Club member, a retired school teacher, laughingly recalled the first class of her teaching career. Among her students were four with names that are quite well-known; none other than Thomas Jefferson, Woodrow Wilson, Jefferson Davis and George Washington. Those were the days!

The fashionable young lady of THEN had pierced ears, too! They didn't have it done by a doctor or a jewelry store, but rather with a hot needle by a family member or friend. To keep the hole open while it healed, they inserted a clean straw and gave it a twirl every day!

Today, a great many young people have their own car which they use going to and from school; the others, a comfortable bus. Not so THEN!

One lady remembers riding to school in the School Wagon. Quite often on a muddy hill the driver asked some of the older (and heavier!) ones to get out at the bottom of the hill so that the horse could pull the wagon up with less effort. As the horse pulled the lightened load the students walked alongside and got back on at the top of the hill!

One little girl of THEN wore a white bonnet to school. One day as she and classmate friends were playing in the school yard a group of gypsies drove by. Seeing the little girl in the white bonnet they called, "Little girl in the white bonnet, come go with us!" The little girl lost no time in getting inside the classroom and safety. She may have forgotten many other things of her childhood but this incident from her early schooldays still remains clear.

Christmas morning THEN, as Christmas morning NOW, was special. One very lovely lady of the Young Hearts Club remembers one particular Christmas morning, and with good reason!

She was no longer a child but quite the young lady, and her boy friend was present when they opened the presents on Christmas morning. Imagine how she felt when, with the boy friend watching, she opened a package to find two pairs of sateen bloomers . . . a black pair for everyday wear and a pair of purple ones for Sunday best wear!!

I could go on and on with soi many happy and amusing incidents remembered by members of the Young Hearts Club, but time and space don't permit.

One of the nice things about growing old . . . older, I mean, is all of the happy memories you have in store . . . bring them out and enjoy them!!


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